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Serial Nos. Eight (8)

Part B for August 1924.

SUBJECT

Ethnographic Survey in Mysore.

Slg To The ~~Comptroller to Govt~~.
The Registrar, Mysore University.
Rao Bahadur L. K. Ananthakrishna Ayer.
No. G 1107-9/- 27-8-1924.

Entrusts the work of Ethnographic Survey of the State to Mr. L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, Prof^r of the Calcutta University on certain conditions.—

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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NOTES.

File No. 193-23

FILE HEADING

Ethnographic Survey in Mysore.

From

The Dewan

DO. No. 7635 Dated 18th March 23 Received

Diary No. 5347] Enclos. Spare Copies. [Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTERS.

Enclosing a letter from Prof. K. Anantakrishna Iyer, Lecturer in Anthropology, Calcutta, requesting for publication of the Ethnographic Survey in Mysore, & for a note explaining the Method of Study.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Chief Secy's order "A file on this subject was before me 3 or 4 days ago. U Secy will please prepare a note and put up the papers. I should like to have this on Thursday". (3rd Km.) 18/3/24.

NOTES—First Sheet.

The Mysore Ethnographical Survey was ordered in the year 1903 and it was entrusted to Mr. H. V. Nanjundaiya in addition to his duties. The work was carried on (rather spasmodically) for about 16 or 17 years. Monographs have been published on 34 castes or tribes, and material has been collected in regard to 50 other castes. These are stated to be present in the Secretariat Library.

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2. Statement A contains a list of the tribes on which monographs have been published and Statement B, of the tribes in regard to which information has been collected. It is understood that this information has been arranged in several cases in a shape fit for immediate publication while in other cases some slight editing is required before the monographs can be published.

3. Since Mr. H. V. Nanjundaiya's death about three years ago, the work has been at a stand-still. There was some idea of entrusting the work to Mr. Narasimhachar, Mr. Shama Sastri, or the Mythic Society, but nothing was done. It was next thought that Mr. N. S. Subba Rao, Principal, Maharaja's College, may be asked to undertake this work in addition to his duties. Recently, however, the Vice Chancellor of the Mysore University has stated that it is not possible for Mr. Subba Rao to spare any time for the

work. There is also an offer by Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao that he would be glad to finish the work on certain terms. This has not yet been accepted.

4. It is a pity to drop the matter at this stage. As pointed out in paragraph 1, a good deal has already been done. In order that the work may be completed, it is necessary

(i) that the material collected in regard to the 50 castes and tribes contained in Statement B, should be edited and published, and

(ii) that a comprehensive introduction should be prepared and published on the various castes and tribes in Mysore.

This may possibly mean the expenditure of some money, but the amount required will not be much and the work is well worth some outlay.

5. As regards the agency for undertaking this work, there is, as stated in para 3 above, Mr. Hayavadana Rao's offer. There is also an offer recently made by Mr. L. K. Anantakrishna Iyer that he would be glad to take up the work.

The editing and publication of the 50 manuscripts which are in a complete or half complete form is a comparatively easy matter and may be done by the Mythic Society or Mr. R. Shama Sastri, Curator, Oriental Library, Mysore. But the preparation of a general introduction to the

monographs is a more important and difficult matter and requires to be done by someone who knows his subject thoroughly. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao has had considerable experience in this matter while working under Dr. Thurston, and is probably capable of undertaking the work. It is doubtful, however, whether he has been keeping himself in touch with the subject. Mr. L. K. Anantakrishna Iyer, on the other hand, is actively engaged in this line of work and is a lecturer in Anthropology at the Calcutta University. In the recent Science Congress held at Bangalore, it is believed that he was the President of the Anthropological Section, and he has also contributed largely to the literature on Castes and Tribes in India. There appears to be no doubt that he is competent to undertake a preparation of the Introductory volume if the work is entrusted to him.

The terms on which he will be prepared to undertake the work are not known, but he may, however, be consulted, and if the terms are reasonable, the work may be entrusted to him as also the publication of the material now available and the revision of the monographs already published. In his letter dated 14th March, he says that he will be able to attend to this work during his vacation and complete it before the 1st of July.

Ch. Secy With Compliments

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RECD. 21 MAR. 1924
Reg. No 6790

The above notes submitted with the connected papers, as directed in the Secretary's letter dt. 18.3.24.

The matter had been placed before the Council in March 1923: (Council Minutes dt. 29.10.21) ± The file was with Mr. Rangaraja Rao, having been sent there when Special Officer, he was attending to the work of Taluk Bd.

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Mr A.K. Iyer - my memorandum on the above subject may be seen

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d) To G. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer Esq
S. 13050 of 27. 3. 1914.

Requests him to forward his proposals and terms for undertaking the work.

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Serial No. 3

From. Rao Bahadur L. K. Anantha Krishna Iyer B.A. L.T. Lecturer in Social Anthropology, Calcutta Univ. dated 10th April 1924.

Forwards his proposals for undertaking the work and requests early orders.

2) The following points are among the memorials for consideration and orders:

(i) Investigations on certain particulars such as: Kinship, Social organisation etc to be taken up.

(ii) To divide the publication into 3 volumes according to the particulars given in detail in the plan (Vide H.B.) and to prepare the manuscripts for the introductory and the 1st Volume by Octr next, and those for the 2nd & 3rd being made ready by March & July 1925 respectively, and thus complete and bring about the edition in about 18 months.

(iii) To tour in the State in June & Octr next for taking photographs to illustrate the 3 volumes

(IV) No definite terms have been given re. the remuneration for the work but has been left entirely to the decision of Govt.

Submitted previous papers for orders.

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8) Points 1 to 2: Memo: Mr. Anantakrishna Iyer's suggestions may be accepted.

9) Point 3. If he is to

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how in the State, he is over to claim T.A. The rate of T.A has to be fixed.

(6) Point 4. As regards remuneration, &c.: Antahpurikas &c. leave it entirely to the Dewan.

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(6) Perhaps considered when Esq. meets the C

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(For Disposal at a Meeting)

No. C. 429

of 1923-4

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Clause xxvii of the Schedule)

Proposal of Rao Bahadur Mr. L.K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, Lecturer in Social Anthropology, Calcutta University, for editing and publishing the Mysore Tribes and Castes.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

22nd April 1924.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council.

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First Member of Council.

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Second Member of Council.

Third Member of Council.

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Subject. -

Proposals of Rao Bahadur Mr. L. K. Anantha Krishna Iyer, Lecturer i Social Anthropology, Calcutta Universit for editing and publishing the "Mysore Tribes and Castes".

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OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

To the V-C
Enquire whether the
the matter submitted to
Mr L.K.A.K Iyer, can
can be supervised
the proofs & the
publication issued under
the auspices of the Univ.
while he will be
in the University
also whether Mr K. Iyer
is a suitable person

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General and Revenue Secretariat.	G. M. File No. 193 of 1923.

Serial No.	
5	To Mr B. N. Seal M. A. B. L. G. 15132 5/31.5.1924 Forwards a copy of the note prepared in the Legislative Dept. also two letters from Mr. L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer & enquires whether Mr L. K. A. Iyer is a suitable person & whether his work could be dispensed with by the University & cost might thereby be lessened.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.	S. M. File No. 193 of 1923.

Serial No.	
5	To Mr B. N. Seal M. A. P. C. S. 15132 S/31.5.1924. Forwards a copy of the note prepared in the Secretariat also two letters from Mr. L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer & enquires whether Mr L. K. A. Iyer is a suitable person & whether he could be employed & by the University & cost might be met by the University Endpah.

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L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer.
B. A., L. T., F. K. A. I.
Lecturer in Anthropology,
CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY.

Palghat

Date 21. 6. 1924.

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Mr. Deputy Secretary,

I am wondering that you would have passed the necessary orders regarding my editing the "Mysore Tribes and Castes", I carried some of the important books of reference to prepare notes for the introductory volume. After coming here, I was also expecting your orders. I leave Palghat on the 1st July and shall be in Calcutta in the course of the 1st week. If orders are passed before the end of this month, I wish to see you before I go to Calcutta. I may require some of the State Publications for reference.

I spoke to Sir Asutosh Mukerjee

record.]

Subd: with the main file for 1923-24.

Dr. B. N. Seal M.A. Ph.D. D.Sc. has been requested, in this office D.O. letter No. S.X/5732 dated 31st May 1924, to state whether Mr. L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer is a suitable person to be entrusted with the work and whether the work if entrusted to him can be supervised by the University & the cost thereof be met from the University budget etc.

24.6.24. (Chief Secy)

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SECRETARIAT'S OFFICE,
26 JUN 1924

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Reply has been sent to Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer.

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about the work that you are going to entrust me with. He was very glad to hear of it and even said, that it was an honour to the Calcutta University. It makes me sad to think that he has departed from our midst. It was a unique honour to work under him.

I solicit your reply to this.

Yours most faithfully,

L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer

A. R. Bannerji Esq M. A., I. C. S., C. I. E.

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D. O. 6831

OFFICE OF THE MYSORE UNIVERSITY,

Dated 23rd June 1926.

Fm. 192-23-6.

Back by Home, Colaba
Bombay.

Dear Mr. Mathai,

Re the work in connection with the Mysore Ethnographical Survey, I am of opinion that Rao Bahadur L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer is a suitable person to be entrusted with it.

As regards the cost, I am afraid it would not be possible to meet it from the University Budget, unless the Govt. make us a special grant to cover the amount! But University supervision will always be available, and the publication should be issued under the auspices of the University. I would accordingly recommend the inclusion of a suffering grant in the University Budget for the purpose.

Yours sincerely
C. Meetham
4-7-26

with reference to next minute, Mr. Secretary
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Second Member

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 702nd *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 10th July 1924. *19*

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8. Subject. - Clause xii of the schedule.

Question of entrusting the Mysore Ethnographic Survey to Rao Bahadur Mr. L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer and allotment of provision therefor.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The work may be entrusted to Mr. Anantakrishna Iyer, on a remuneration of Rs.2,000 plus travelling expenses in the State.

(Signed) A. R. BANERJI,
Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT"

Chief Secretary to Government.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

File No. of 191

Subject. - Question of entrusting the Mysore Ethnographic Survey to Rao Bahadur Mr. L.K.Anantha-krishna Iyer and allotment of provision therefor.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Council is put up.

Forwarded, with compliments, to the Financial Secretary to Government, under paragraph 9 * of the Government Order No. G. 17572-8—G. M. 676-17-1, dated 22nd June 1918.

By Order,

Chief Secretary to Government.

*9. (*a*) If the views expressed by the Financial Secretary in any case, whether original or un-officially referred, are not accepted by the Member of Government in charge, or by the Dewan and Members of Council, as the case may be, the file containing the discussions shall be sent to the Financial Secretary a second time, in order to enable him, in cases in which he considers that the orders proposed to be issued are opposed to financial rules of Government or to recognised financial principles or for other reasons of a financial nature, are open to objection, to record a respectful representation to that effect, which will be placed by the Dewan before His Highness the Maharaja for consideration.

(*b*) All cases sent to the Financial Secretary under this rule should be treated as immediate and returned to the Department concerned within three days of receipt.

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | File No. | of 19

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7	To Rao Bahadur L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, Calcutta - D.O. No. 70 dt 12.7.24 Inquires whether he is agreeable to take up the work on a remuneration of Rs 2500 plus travelling expenses in the State.
8.	From The above officer - D.O. no - dt 19.7.24. Accepts the offer on the above conditions and requests that he may also be given travelling expenses of a first class Officer for his journeys from Calcutta to Mysore and back twice, the loan of a typewriter and the services of a typist on a monthly salary of Rs 50 as also the incidental charges.
	From The same Officer - D.O. letter dt 18.7.24. Requests that certain references may be sent & states that if his plan of the work is approved, he will have to prepare an introductory volume.

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REPLY.

(To be written on this margin)

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 23rd. July, *192* 4.

Copy of the letter from Mr. L.K. Anantha Krishna Iyer, forwarded with compliments to the Chief Secretary, for the necessary further action.

Reference called for 23/7

Submitted with reference. 23.7.24

Copy of the letter from Mr. L.K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, dated the 19th. July, 1924, to the Dewan.

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I received a letter from the Chief Secretary, asking me if the terms of a remuneration of Rs.2,500 plus the travelling allowances in the State are agreeable to me. I reply to him that I accept the offer. I may have to be in Mysore for field-work, during the holidays. I have therefore applied for travelling expenses from Calcutta to Mysore and back. I request your sanction for it.

To expedite the publication of the work as early as possible, I have applied for the service of a typist on a monthly salary of Rs.50, and the loan of a typewriter. I request your sanction for them also. Fifteen years ago I fair copied the manuscripts of the two volumes of the Cochin Tribes and Castes, in addition to the usual routine of the College. Now, I have neither the time nor the strength to do it. Further I have to finish the work in a year and a half, as I have to attend to a few other publications in hand.

As an old subordinate of yours, I venture to take the liberty of conveying to you this fact: that I deserve more than Rs.2,500 for this heavy and important work. I expected a bonus of four to five thousand rupees. As I have already said, I leave the matter entirely to you. Two year's ago, I received over Rs.2,500 for my ten Readership Lectures in the Calcutta University, for which I worked only for four months.

Allow me to convey to you my deep debt of gratitude for having entrusted me with this important, responsible work. I shall spare no pains to bring credit to you and to your Government-

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Mr L. A. K. Iyer wants
(1) use of T.A. from Calcutta to Pyne & back in Oct & again in April. Reason was that leave be given at the rates T.A. for Palghat
(2) Reimbursement of Rents at Rs 50 - This seems reasonable enough. Enquiries whether the funds are to come from the Imms budget vide Rly rule, is also for orders.
The copy of census report wanted by him will be furnished
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Submitted to His Highness.

These papers relate to the completion of the Ethnographical Survey in the State which was started in the year 1903 and entrusted to late Mr. H.V. Nanjundayya. The work was carried on (rather spasmodically) for about 16 or 17 years. Monographs have been published on 34 castes or tribes, and material has been collected in regard to 50 other castes. Since Mr. Nanjundayya's death the work has been at a standstill. It was proposed at one time to entrust it to Mr. R.A. Narasimhachar or Dr. R. Shama Sastry or the Mythic Society or Mr. N.S. Subba Rao, Principal of the Maharaja's College, but all the proposals have fallen through.

Recently when Rao Bahadur L.K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, Lecturer in Anthropology, Calcutta University, who has achieved some fame by the publication of his "Cochin castes and tribes" as a result of the Ethnographical Survey work in the Cochin State came to Bangalore in connection with the Indian Science Congress, the question of continuing the Ethnographical work and publishing the results in a suitable form came up in the course of an interview he had with me and as a result he offered to take up the work. Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer thinks that there should be an introductory volume and two volumes containing descriptive articles on the principal castes and tribes. In order to obtain fuller information in regard to kinship and social organisation, the structure of the castes and the sub-castes etc., he may have to do some touring in the State. The whole work would take about 18 months. When the question was considered in Council on the 22nd May 1924 it was decided to enquire of the Vice-Chancellor of the University whether, in his opinion, Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer was a suitable person to be entrusted with the work and whether if the work was entrusted to him it could be

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be supervised by the University and the publication issued under the auspices of the University and also whether the cost would be met by the University budget. The Vice-Chancellor has stated that Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer is a suitable person to be entrusted with the work, that as regards the cost, it would not be possible to meet it from the University budget, unless the Government made a special grant to meet the expenses, but the supervision would always be available and the publication should be issued under the auspices of the University.

The question was finally considered in Council on the 10th July 1924, when it was resolved that work may be entrusted to Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer on a remuneration of Rs.2,500/- plus travelling allowances in the State. Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer was asked whether he was agreeable to take the work on these terms. In accepting the offer he requests that he may be given travelling allowance at first class rates from Calcutta, the loan of a typewriter and the services of a typist on a monthly salary of Rs.50/- as also incidental charges. The request for the loan of a typewriter and for permission to employ a typist on a salary of Rs.50 is reasonable and may be agreed to. As regards travelling expenses, it is reasonable to pay him travelling expenses from Palghat and back, but not from Calcutta as he would in the ordinary course be going to Palghat for his vacation.

The Financial Secretary has noted that the cost will have to be met by reappropriation of funds in the budget of the University or by drawing upon its balance, and that it is not possible to make an additional grant to that body for the purpose. A provision of about Rs.10,000/- has been made in the University budget for re-introducing Commerce courses, but it has been just reported by the Registrar that as there were only three students offering for the course, the University Council has resolved not to open the courses this year. In

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Question of entrusting the Mysore Ethnographic Survey to Rao Bahadur Mr. L.K. Ananthakrishna Iyer and allotment of provision therefor.

Order.

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Question of entrusting the Mysore Ethnographic Survey to Rao Bahadur M. L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer and allotment of provision therefor.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to the Members of Council for perusal of

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His Highness' orders $\frac{\text{before}}{\text{after}}$ issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

Chief Secretary to Govt. 27/7

Through the Secretary to Government.

.....Department.

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 30/7

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

THIRD MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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Subd with a draft for approval

7/8/24 (Ch Secretary)

DEWAN'S OFFICE,
RECD. ON 6 AUG. 1924
Reg. No. 1035

) Please prepare fair draft

Subd with a fair draft

4/8 (Ch Secy)

) Secretary)

) Some amendments

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) Vide remarks of Fl Secretary at page 15

Dft & fair copies are put up

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) Ltr. from Mr Campbell

Fl 878 dated 8-8-24

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WD 2310—GPE—10,000—31-5-24

General and Revenue Secretariat

G. Sy File No. 192 of 1923

Serial No. 9

To

The Comptr & Govt.
& Registrar, Mysore Univ
Rao Bahadur A R Ananthakrishnaiya

Lr 1107-7 dt 7.8.-192-

Entrusting the work of "Ethnographic Survey" of the State to Mr A R Ayyar Professor of the Calcutta Univ on certain conditions.

3) A copy of the G.O. has been sent to the Edn Br. where the Mysore Univ papers are dealt with. As the Univ has agreed to issue the above publn under its auspices and as the Editor has to submit the manuscript of the Vols to the V.C. of the Univ, these papers, if approved, will now be transmitted, along with the marginally noted receipts from Mr A.R. Ayyar, to the Edn Br. for further action.

4) Moreover the expenditure has been ordered to be met from the University Budget.

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Rec 20/8/24

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5) Ys. Let the cheques be received with the Jr. Br. and the subsequent arrangements taken in hand.

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DEWAN OF MYSORE

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BALLABROOIE,
HIGH GROUND,
BANGALORE.
18th March 1924.

Dear Mr. Matthan,

I enclose a letter about the publication of our Ethnographical Series in Mysore. I should like to know how the matter stands at present. The late Mr. Nunjundiah undertook the work as you know and left it unfinished. Where are the monographs ? It would be a good thing if we could get them revised by the writer of the letter. If you will kindly trace the papers and put them up with a note explaining the situation at present, I shall be obliged.

Yours sincerely,

K. Matthan, Esq.,
Chief Secretary to Govt.

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RAO BAHADUR
L. K. ANANTHAKRISHNA IYER B.A., L.T., F.R.A.I.
LECTURER IN ANTHROPOLOGY, CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY

I/5 Premchand Boral Street, Bowbazar P.O.
CALCUTTA.

DATED, 14th March 192 28

Dear Sir,

My two books, namely, the Syrian Christians of Malabar, Cochin and Travancore, and Lectures on Ethnography, will be out in the course of a few months. I have finished my work in that connection.

I am free to take up the Mysore Tribes and Castes, if you will kindly entrust me. Our vacation begins on the 15th of April next, and I shall be going to Palghat where I may spend the vacation. I shall return to Calcutta on the 1st of July. I shall during these months prepare an introduction & and revise the monographs already published. There is sufficient scope for the publication of the Mysore Castes and Tribes in two stout volumes with fine illustrations.

You said, that you would write to me, "about what has to be done, and then desired me to offer my terms". I am waiting for your letter, embodying your proposals.

Yours most faithfully,

L.K. Anantha Krishna Iyer

To

A. R. Bannerjee, C,I,E, M.A. I.C.S.

G 1281O/Encl 2

10th March

D.O.M. M635 of 18/3
Hon Sec C.K.A.M. Lyceum 14/2/14

Dear Mr. Hanson,

I have see the enclosed letter of the Seven addressed to the Chief Secretary and the enclosure. The Chief Secretary wants a note and the file on the subject by Thursday. I understand the file is with you and that you are properly a note in the matter. They may be kindly sent on to the Chief Secretary along with the enclosures to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Draft.

18/3

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

D. O. No. G/12810/Encl 2 Dated, Bangalore, 18th March 192 4.

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Dear Mr. Ranga Rao,

Please see the enclosed letter of the Dewan addressed to the Chief Secretary and its enclosure. The Chief Secretary wants a note and the file on the subject by Thursday. I understand the file is with you and that you are preparing a note in the matter. They may be kindly sent on to the Chief Secretary along with the enclosures to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

C. Hayavadana Rao

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Signed by Mr. L.S.K.

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To

L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, Esqr. B.A. (Cantab)
Lecturer in Anthropology, Calcutta Univ.
1/5 Premchand Boral Street
Bowbazar Post
Calcutta.

Sir,

With reference to your ~~D.o~~ letter dated 14th March 1924 addressed to the Dewan, in the matter of ~~undertaking the work of editing and publishing the~~ the publication of the Castes and Tribes, Survey, Mysore Ethnographic Survey,

I am directed to state that in accordance with the original programme, monographs on 34 castes

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have so far been published
and materials have been
collected in regard to 50
other Castes (Statement B). In many instances
particulars of the Castes so
dealt with are herein enclosed. arranged in a form
fit for immediate
publication, while
other some supp.
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2) In order that the work
may be completed, it is necessary
(i) that the material collected in
regard to the 50 Castes and
Tribes should be edited and
published and (ii) that a compre-
hensive introduction on the various Castes & Tribes in Mysore
should also
be prepared and published
on the various castes and tribes
in Mysore.

3) I am therefore to request
you to be so good as to
forward your proposals & terms,
for ... dertaking the work

List of enclosures.

I have etc

Chief Secy. to Govt

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1/3, Premchand Boral Street,
Bow Bazaar P.O.
Calcutta, 10th. April, '24.

From

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Rao Bahadur L.K.Ananthakrishna Iyer Avl B.A.,L.T.,

Lecturer In Social Anthropology,

Calcutta University, Senate House, C A L C U T T A.

To

K.Mathan Esq. B.A.

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, B A N G A L O R E .

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 27th.ultimo, No: 13050 / 193.23.2, I have the honour to forward for submission to the Diwan, my proposals for editing and publishing the Mysore Tribes and Castes.

2) The thirty-four monographs already published, and the manuscripts of the fifty others may require little or no alterations. But anthropologists now require information about Kinship and Social Organization, the structure of the Castes and the sub-castes, totemism, exogamy and kindred other subjects. Investigations on these particulars have to be taken up if they have not been already done. Further, Mysore, being a big state, may contain probably some more indigenous castes which have to be studied and included in the volumes for publication.

3) There are now materials for two volumes, and if the plan of my work herein suggested meets with the kind approval of the Diwan, the manuscripts for the introductory and the first volume will be made ready by October next, and those for the second and the third volumes, in March and July, 1925 respectively. I shall also, in the meantime, supervise the printing of the first volume and see to its publication early next year.

4) I need hardly state that the work in this connection is hard and responsible, and that I shall have to work not less than five hours a day to complete it in about 18 months before which the first volume may be published. A portion of the manuscripts for the second volume may be print

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ed. by that time. I shall do the major portion of the work from C a l-cutta, and shall spend the vacations in Mysore, if necessary, for field work. But I may have to tour in the State in June and October next for a first-hand knowledge of the people, and for taking photographs to illustrate the three volumes. As for the remuneration I leave it entirely to the Diwan.

5) If the Diwan be so pleased as to approve of my proposals, and pass necessary orders, I shall take up the work at once.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer

P. S. My address after the 22nd inst will be:

Lakshminarayanapuram Village,

Palghat, Kalpathi Post, Malabar District

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Volume I: A brief sketch of the Physical features of Mysore, Geological formation, fauna and flora.

Pre-Historic Archaeology. Ancient History.

Introductory Essay on the the Origin, Development and History Caste.

Articles on the Religions and Sects of the State.

Glossary of minor Castes and other articles.

Sub-Castes. Tribes and names of Exogamous septs or clans.

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L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer

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the 30th May
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Dear Dr. Seal,

I am desired to enclose a copy of the note prepared in the Secretariat on the subject of the work done in connection with the Mysore Ethnographical survey and also two letters from Rao Bahadur L.K. Ananthakrishna Iyer, Lecturer in Social Anthropology, Calcutta University, offering to take up the work. I am desired by the Dewan to enquire whether, if the work is entrusted to Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer it could be supervised by the Mysore University and the publications issued under the auspices of the University, and whether the cost can in that case be met from the budget of the University. I am also to request you to favour him with your opinion as to whether Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer is a suitable person to be entrusted with the work. I am also

Yours sincerely,

Dr. B. N. Seal, M.A., Ph.D., D.Sc.,
Vice-Chancellor, Mysore University.

KV/GHC.

D.O. 20/C.B. D 12/7/1924
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Dear Mr. Ananthakrishna Iyer

I am sorry for the delay in sending an answer to your letter of the 14th May 1924. I need not perhaps explain that I was not in a position to send an answer until the Government had considered the question of entrusting to you ~~of the~~ what remains of the Ethnographical Survey work of the State. The subject has now been considered by Government, and it is proposed to entrust the work to you on a remuneration of Rs.2,500 plus travelling expenses in the State. I am desired to enquire whether you are agreeable to these terms.

Yours sincerely,

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DATED, 19 th. July, 24. 192

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Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt with thanks of your D.O.No:70/C.B., dated the 12th. Instant. I gladly accept the offer of Rs.2500 plus the travelling expenses in the State as remuneration for the work entrusted to me.

I may have to do some field work both to get a first hand knowledge of the people and to take typical photographs illustrative of their customs and manners. I hope to spend the Puja holidays (October and November) and the Summer vacation(April and May next) in doing some field work in the State. I may have to travel with heavy luggages from Calcutta to Mysore and Back. I request that you will kindly obtain for me the sanction of the Government for the travelling expenses of a first class officer of the State, for my journeys in this connection.

To expedite the publication of this work within the period mentioned in my last letter, I require the loan of a typewriter and the services of a typist on a monthly salary of Rs.50, as also the incidental charges in that connection, for which also I request the sanction of the Government.

I shall commence the work as soon as final orders are received.

I beg to remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours Sincerely

L. K. Ananthakrishna Iyer.

K. Madhava Esq. B.A.
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore.

Proceedings of the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

Government Order No.16491-500/Mis.2539 dated 22nd May 1903 entrusting the work of Ethnographic investigation in Mysore, to (the late) Mr.H.V.Nanjundayya, M.A., M.L., the then General and Revenue Secretary to ~~the~~ Government, in addition to his own duties.

2. Letter No.M.2321/G.M.101-20-8 dated 19th November 1921, to the Registrar Mysore University, intimating that Government ~~have~~ decided to defer for some time the question of making arrangements to complete the Ethnographic Survey work in Mysore.

3. Correspondence ending with letter dated 19th July 1924, from Rao Bahadur Mr.L.K.Anantha Krishna Iyer, B.A., L.T., F.R.A.I. Lecturer in Anthropology, Calcutta University, ~~offering~~ making his proposals and terms for undertaking the work of completing the Ethnographic Survey of the State.

Order No. G 1107-9/Ed 2

Dated Bangalore, 7th August 1924.

The Ethnographic Survey of the State was started in the year 1903 and entrusted to the late Mr.H.V.Nanjundayya. The work was carried on for about 16 or 17

years. Monographs have been published on 34 castes and tribes and material has been collected in regard to 50 other castes as shown in lists A and B appended. Since Mr. Nanjundayya's death, the work has been at a stand still, several proposals made to entrust ~~the work~~ it to different persons having fallen through. Recently, Rao Bahadur L.K.Ananthakrishna Iyer, Lecturer in Anthropology, Calcutta, and ~~this~~ author of the well known book "Cochin Castes and tribes", offered to take up the work and submitted proposals for editing and publishing, in about 18 months, the Mysore "Mysore Tribes and Castes", in three volumes viz., Vol.I - Introductory, Vols. II and III - Descriptive articles on the Principal Castes and Tribes.

2. Government are pleased to entrust this work to Mr.L.K.Ananthakrishna Iyer on a remuneration of Rs.2500/- besides travelling allowances for touring in the State, (as well as for travelling from Palghat to ~~Mysore~~ Bangalore back), during October and November 1924 and April and May 1925, in order to obtain fuller information in regard to kinship and social organization etc. The rates of travelling allowances will be as follows:-

For Railway journeys, 1½ First Class fare.
Mileage, 8 annas a mile
Daily Allowance, Rs.5

There are the rates for Mysore residents, Asst.

Mr.L.K.Ananthakrishna Iyer will be given the use of a typewriter and the services of a Typist on Rs.50/- per mensem for attending to this work.

3. The Vice-Chancellor of the Mysore University/who was consulted in the matter has agreed to the publication being issued under the auspices of the Mysore University. Mr.Ananthakrishna Iyer is requested to submit the manuscript of the volumes to the Vice Chancellor.

4. The expenditure to be incurred in this connection during the current year will be met out of the anticipated savings, ~~viz~~, in the provision of Rs.10,200 under "Lump-sum for Commerce Course" in the University Budget.

Fair draft sent 5/8/24

Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

The Comptroller (through Financial Secretariat)

" Registrar, Mysore University.

Rao Bahadur Mr.L.K.Ananthakrishna Iyer, B.A.,L.T., F.R.A.I.

Copy to Office Branch, G.R.S.

B.K.M.

Statement A.

1. Kurubas.
2. Holeya caste.
3. Beda caste.
4. Agasa caste.
5. Bestha caste.
6. Komati.
7. Koracha.
8. Bilimagge caste.
9. Tigala caste.
10. Sale caste.
11. Vadda caste.
12. Nayinda.
13. Dombar caste.
14. Kadu Gollars.
15. Morasu Okkalu.
16. Sanyasi caste.
17. Madiga caste.
18. Idiga caste.
19. Medar caste.
20. Golla caste.
21. Uppara caste.
22. Killekyatas caste.
23. Mondaru caste.
24. Kurubara caste.
25. Banjares caste.
26. Helavas.
27. Gangadikara Okkalu.
28. Sadas.
29. Handi Jogis.
30. Nagarthas.
31. Telugu Banajigas.
32. (Not known as copies are not available.) *Kunchigas
33. Ganigas.
34. Devanga.

Statement B.

1. Bailu Akkasale.
2. Brahmins including Bala Jogis.
3. Odigaru.
4. Mondaru.
5. Lingayets.
6. Padmasale.
7. Banjaris.
8. Hallikaras.
9. Jains.
10. Nattuvan.
11. Mahrattas.
12. Gudikars.
13. Nadava or Nadora.
14. Baggaru.
15. Modaliyars.
16. Pategars.
17. Kondamangala.
18. Maelari.
19. Raddies.
20. Darjies.
21. Yogatars.
22. Panchalas.
23. Bhatragers.
24. Ladars.
25. Jetti.
26. Maleru.
27. Hasalars.
28. The Aradhyas.
29. Satanis.
30. Dasari.
31. Iruligas.
32. Jingars.
33. Kotte Okkalu.
34. Kare Okkalu.
35. Arasus.
36. Halepaikas.
37. Togataru.
38. Thammadi.
39. Bakkaru.
40. Sholigas.
41. Sudugadu Sidhas.
42. Budu Budike.
43. Rachewar.
44. Halukars.
45. Pindaris.
46. Phanas.
47. Dayare Mahammadans.
48. Gandas.
49. Billars.
50. Odigars.